

Lesson Plan: Day 4 San Gabriel Mission to San Luis Obispo Mission

I. Concepts:

Many problems were encountered during Anza's Second Trek. Good leadership can help you solve problems. Anza's story is a good example. Students will partake in the expedition. Students will record the results in their journals.

II. Preparation:

- Divide students evenly into three groups lead by Moraga, Grijalva, and Font
- Using large area spread out five stops in alphabetical order, each with problem cards
- Approximate time for lesson:1 hour

III. Classroom Activities:

- Teacher and the students will read the Day 4 Summary
- Be sure to explain to students how the Trek should work before going to the area set aside for the Trek.(Either the day before or immediately before going to the area)
 - 1) Students are divided into three groups
 - 2) Leaders (Moraga,Grijalva,and Font) select a scout
 - 3) Scout is given a card to tell where that group will start and scout goes out to find it
 - 4) Scout returns to group and tells leader where it is
 - 5) Group goes to that area
 - 6) Group reads problem card there and discusses how they think the problem is solved
 - 7) Group writes their solution in their journal before going to the next stop
 - 8) Scout then goes out to find the next stop as written on the problem card and students connect the letters on their cards
 - 9) Scout returns and tells leader where next stop is and group goes to next stop and repeats the process (5 through 8) until all stops have been visited
 - 10) Group waits at starting position until all groups finish

Notes:

If one group approaches a stop before another group is finished they must sit away from the other group and wait until they leave.

Students should be reminded to connect the letters as they travel on the Trek. They should connect the last stop with where they began.

Trek -Teacher 's Sample of Student Journal Page

Objectives : Students will go in small groups to a station and consider a real problem that has arisen on the trip to Alta California. They will decide how they would solve the problem and write it in their journals. Later they will learn what the actual group did when the problem arose.

Journal Page:

As you travel on this trek from Yuma to the San Luis Obispo Mission you will meet some problems. Your leader will send out a scout to find your first stop. The scout will then return to your group and lead you to the next stop on your trek. As your group comes to each stop on your trek, read the problem that has arisen and decide what your group thinks would be the best solution to the problem. Write a brief description of your solution beside the appropriate letter in your journal.

Your scout will find the next stop and come back to lead you forward. Then draw a pencil line from your first stop to the next stop. Continue as above until you have been to all five stations and connected all letters.

A.

B.

E.

C.

D.

A. _____

B. _____

C. _____

D. _____

E. _____

The connected letters should look like a five pointed star..36

Day 4 Summary

Anza returned to San Gabriel to find the mission quickly running short on supplies. The members of the expedition were depleting their stores of food. It was time for the Anza Expedition to move on.

Following the Los Angeles River, the expedition followed well-established Native American trails. These trails would eventually become the El Camino Real that already linked the five California missions. Arriving at the Pacific Ocean near Oxnard, they were greeted by large communities of Chumash Indians living along the coast. Father Font was amazed to see how ably the Chumash navigated the water on their boats, known as tomols. The Chumash fishermen brought in tremendous amounts of fish that they traded for Anza's beads and other things that the expedition had to offer.

The expedition continued to follow the coast north. The constant coastal fog gave father Font much to complain about in his diary. Eventually, they arrived at the newly founded Mission San Luis Obispo. Some of the settlers dressed up for their arrival at the mission, although large pools of mud and water along the trail made for a difficult and messy arrival at the mission. Anza had sent a scout ahead to warn the priests and soldiers of their arrival. As the group arrived at the mission site, the mission priests were ringing the church bells while the soldiers sent off a volley of shot as a welcome.

